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# UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MASTER SPECIFICATION FOR RUBBER CATHETERS

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#### I. TYPE

Rubber catheters shall be of a single type as described below.

#### II. MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP

Catheters shall be made of an all-rubber compound. They shall have an absolutely smooth, glass cured finish, and be free from imperfections.

## III. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Catheters shall have a solid tip and depressed velvet eye at outlet end with a funnel-shaped end. They shall be of the sizes 8 to 28, even numbers, French scale, as called for in the proposal.

# IV. DETAIL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Rubber Content.—The rubber compound shall contain not less than 55 per cent by volume of best quality new wild or plantation rubber.
- 2. Tensile Strength.—The tensile strength shall be not less than 1,200 lbs./in. <sup>2</sup>
- 3. ULTIMATE ELONGATION.—The ultimate elongation shall be not less than 350 per cent (1 inch to 4.5 inches).
- 4. Resistance to Hot Air.—Samples shall be aged in a drying oven in circulating air at 70° C. for seven days. Twenty-four hours after removal the tensile strength shall not decrease more than 50 per cent.

## V. SAMPLING

One catheter shall be selected from each 100 delivered, for test and analysis.

## VI. PACKING AND MARKING

Catheters shall be marked with manufacturer's name or trade name and date of manufacture. They shall be packed as called for in the proposal.

## VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

No details specified.

## VIII. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

General Specifications for Rubber Goods, F. S. B. Specification No. 59, in effect on date of issuance of proposals shall form part of this specification.

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